If you have questions that aren't addressed in this brochure, please contact your local Plant Pest Specialist (see contact information on back) or our main office (see below).



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## NCDA&CS

# Plant Industry Division Plant Protection Section

#### Nursery Regulatory Services

The NCDA&CS Plant Protection Program activities focus on protecting North Carolina's agriculture and environment from injurious plant pests, promoting beneficial organisms, and protecting rare native plants throughout the state.



Steve Troxler, Commissioner of Agriculture



#### NCDA&CS Nursery Program

The primary objective of the Plant Industry Division's Nursery Program is to facilitate the movement of nursery stock while preventing the introduction and spread of quarantine plant pests into and within North Carolina. The movement of infested nursery stock represents one of the ways plant pests may be moved from one location to another and has the potential to directly impact both wholesale and retail nursery operations. North Carolina works to prevent such outbreaks by coordinating with other states and the nursery industry to bring awareness of threats to the state.

### Why should you obtain a nursery license?

A nursery license is required for any person growing and selling nursery stock in North Carolina. A nursery dealer license is required for any person obtaining and re-selling nursery stock in the state.

These licenses certify that plant material has been inspected for and is apparently free from potentially harmful quarantine pests and serves to prevent or reduce the introduction and spread of regulated pests into and throughout North Carolina.

### What kind of nursery do you have?

In North Carolina, a certificate is required to distribute or sell nursery stock or collected plants. *Nursery stock* is defined as all wild or cultivated plants or plant parts, trees, shrubs, vines, bulbous plants, and roots, grafts, scions, and buds. Included in this definition are strawberry plants, turfgrass, and bulbs. Also included are vegetable and tobacco plants when required by other regulations. <u>Excluded</u> are other annual plants, cut flowers, true seeds, decorative plants or plant parts without roots not intended for propagation, and perennial plants intended for indoor use that are produced in North Carolina. A *collected plant* is nursery stock (other than currently certified nursery stock) which is dug or gathered.

A Registered nursery is less than one acre in size and does not sale outside of North Carolina.

A Certified nursery is one or more acres in size and sells outside of North Carolina.

An **Institutional** nursery is owned or operated by a government agency.

A Nursery Dealer does not grow nursery stock, but obtains certified nursery stock and/or collected plants in North Carolina or from other states for resale.

The holder of a **Collected Plant** certificate has provided satisfactory evidence that plants collected by him/her are not in violation of any plant pest regulations.

### The NCDA&CS Plant Pest Specialists conduct the inspections for plant pests at the intervals indicated in the table below:

Nursery Certificate Fees	
<b>CERTIFIED</b> (inspected annually; expires September 30 <sup>th</sup> )	
First acre or fraction of salable stock	\$100.00/year
Each additional acre of salable stock	+\$3.00/acre/year
<b>REGISTERED</b> (inspected once every three years; expires September 30 <sup>th</sup> )	\$20.00/year
INSTITUTIONAL (inspected annually; expires September 30th)	No Fee
Nursery Dealer Certificate Fees	
For each sales location (inspected annually; expires December 31st)	\$50.00/year
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Collected Plant Certificate Fees	
Issued annually; expires September 30th	\$20.00/year

To request a nursery certificate or inspection or if you have any questions, please contact your local NCDA&CS Plant Pest Specialist, or submit your name, phone number, and county where your nursery is located to the following email address: <a href="mailto:nurseryrequest@ncagr.gov">nurseryrequest@ncagr.gov</a>